

**REMARKS**

**Response to Restriction Requirement**

The Examiner requires restriction to one of the following two Groups:

- Group I: Claims 1-5, 10-14, and 17-18, drawn to a method of reducing acrylamide content in heat-treated foods.
- Group II: Claim 16, drawn to the process of identifying material suitable for heat-treated foods.

The Examiner also requires an election of one of the following two species:

- Species Ia: Claims 1-5, 10-14, and 17-18, drawn to methods of reducing non-genetically modified plant material.
- Species Ib: Claims 1-14 and 17-18, drawn to methods of reducing genetically modified plant material.

Applicants hereby provisionally elect **Group I and species Ib**, which covers claims 1-14 and 17-18, drawn to, according to the Examiner, methods of reducing acrylamide content in genetically modified plant material.

Applicants reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the non-elected subject matter.

**CONCLUSION**

In view of the above remarks, early notification of a favorable consideration is respectfully requested. An indication of allowance of all claims is respectfully requested.

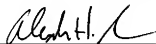
This response is being filed within the one-month time period set forth in the Restriction Requirement. Accordingly, no fees are due. However, should any fees be required to enter and consider this response, the USPTO is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to **Deposit Account No. 50-0206**.

Respectfully submitted,

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